

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of WilTel Communications, LLC (U-6146-C) aka Williams Communications, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, to Amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.

Application 04-05-017
(Filed May 3, 2004)

TO: ALL PARTIES OF RECORD IN THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED PROCEEDING:

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

The draft decision of Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Thomas, has been made available at http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUBLISHED/COMMENT_DECISION/45561.htm on April 15, 2005. This decision denies the application of WilTel Communications, LLC (WilTel) to amend its certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN). WilTel asks us to allow it to build out its fiber optic telecommunications facilities without analysis under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of the environmental impact of the new construction it proposes.

Any recipient of this Notice of Availability who is not receiving service by electronic mail in this proceeding or who is unable to access the link to the Commission's web site given above may request a paper copy of the draft decision from the Commission's Central Files Office, at (415) 703-2045; fax number (415) 703-2263; e-mail cen@cpuc.ca.gov.

The draft decision will not appear on the Commission's agenda for at least 30 days after the date it is mailed. The Commission may act then, or it may postpone action until later.

When the Commission acts on the draft decision, it may adopt all or part of it as written, amend or modify it, or set it aside and prepare its own decision. Only when the Commission acts does the decision become binding on the parties.

Parties to the proceeding may file comments on the draft decision as provided in Article 19 of the Commission's "Rules of Practice and Procedure," accessible at

http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/PUBLISHED/RULES_PRAC_PROC/44887.htm. Pursuant to Rule 77.3 opening comments shall not exceed 15 pages.

Comments must be filed with the Commission's Docket Office. Comments should be served on parties to this proceeding in accordance with Rules 2.3 and 2.3.1. Electronic copies of comments should be sent to ALJ Thomas at srt@cpuc.ca.gov. All parties must serve hard copies on ALJ Thomas, and for that purpose I suggest hand delivery, overnight mail or other expeditious methods of service. The current service list for this proceeding is available on the Commission's web site, www.cpuc.ca.gov.

Dated April 15, 2005, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ Angela K. Minkin
Angela K. Minkin, Chief
Administrative Law Judge